



STATE OF OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Memorandum

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Date: September 3, 1987

From: Dennis Adamczyk *DA*

Subject: Columbia Steel

Dames & Moore, under contract to Columbia Steel Company, has been conducting drilling operations to define the extent of contamination resulting from past practice activity at Columbia Steel's property (formerly owned by Joslyn Manufacturing). Drilling at the site began on Monday, August 31st.

Rick Kienle of Dames & Moore has been providing frequent updates to us on the drilling program's progress. Yesterday, Chuck Clinton and myself went to the site and observed samples collected from two drill sites. Contamination was seen in both indicative of creosote/pentachlorophenol compounds. Later that day, an additional drill hole revealed significant levels of contamination by creosote-like compounds. This latter hole was drilled at what was believed to be the site of a waste sludge pond operated in the 1960's by Joslyn.

Drilling is continuing today and lab samples will be sent for analysis shortly. Initial results on contamination levels should be available in the near future.

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